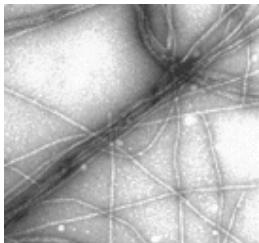


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Proteins secreted by *Salmonella* interact with host cell actin and actin-binding proteins to assist *Salmonella* entry into host cells.

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## The *Salmonella* battle plan

\$2.3 billion a year - that's the cost of *Salmonella* -related illness to the US economy, according to new data from the US Centers for Disease Control. The figure represents 1.4 million reported salmonellosis cases, including 600 deaths. Although the numbers are down from previous estimates, the human toll and dollar cost remain significant.

So how do people get sick from *Salmonella* infection? After eating contaminated food - often egg-based products - *Salmonella* gain access to the human intestine, where there is a low concentration of oxygen. This switches on a number of *Salmonella* genes that equip the bacteria with the proteins required to invade the cells on the surface of the intestine. A cocktail of these proteins is secreted and then translocated into the host epidermis cell. This stimulates the formation of a hollow in the host cell membrane, which grows deeper and progressively encloses the bacteria (a process known as pinocytosis). Eventually, the membrane pinches off to form a vacuole in which the bacterium resides. From this sheltered environment inside the intestine cell, the bacteria grow and divide, before spreading to other cells. When this happens, usually about two or three days after ingestion, the carrier experiences the symptoms of diarrhea and dehydration that are commonly associated with food poisoning.

All these rearrangements in the shape of the cell membrane mean that actin - the scaffolding of the cell - must undergo significant organizational change. Some of the secreted *Salmonella* proteins, whose job it is to manipulate the host's actin, have now been identified, for example, the 'Sips' (for *Salmonella* invasion proteins) - SipA, SipB, SipC, and SipD. Of these, SipA has recently been implicated in organizing actin filaments to facilitate *Salmonella* entry, by binding directly to actin itself or by binding to T-plastin, an actin-bundling protein. SipA lowers the concentration of actin monomers required for polymerization, allowing long filaments to be formed that extend the cell, and stabilizes those filaments so they can not break down again into actin monomers. But in reality, for the cell extensions to flex around the bacterium, actin filaments would need to breakdown and reform in an organized fashion. This suggests that there may be a regulatory mechanism that controls SipA action.

*Shigella*, which are found in the same family of bacteria as *Salmonella*, also invade intestine epithelial

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cells on ingestion and causes diarrhea, fever, nausea and vomiting when they multiply and spread. Like *Salmonella*, *Shigella* secrete a collection of proteins that rearrange the actin cytoskeleton of the host. Among these, the proteins IpaA-D bear more than a passing resemblance to the Sips of *Salmonella*, suggesting a shared mechanism of entry between the two species. The further investigation of both bacterial invasion mechanisms may shed light on the evolutionary origins of this key virulence step, as well as provide targets for potential new therapies.

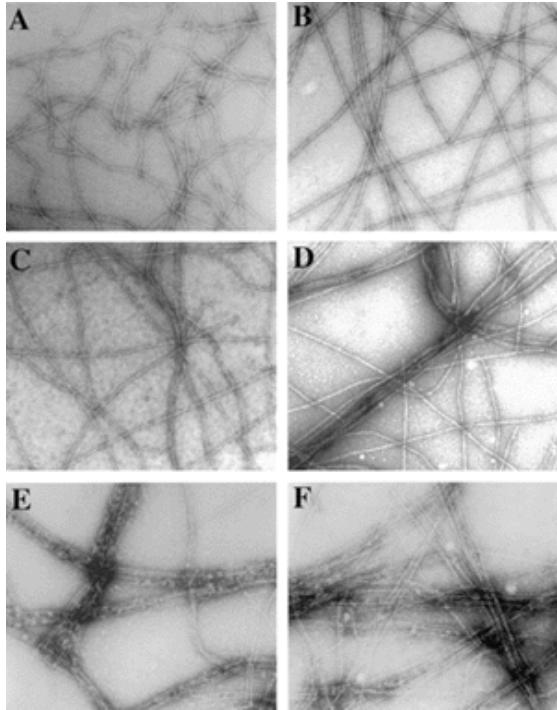
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**Figure 1.** *Salmonella* SipA interacts with T-plastin to accelerate the bundling of actin filaments. The figure shows an electron micrograph of the effect of *Salmonella typhinurium* SipA on the bundling activity of T-plastin. **A and B** show actin with no T-plastin present; **C and D** show actin with low levels of T-plastin (0.125 micromolar), and **E and F** have a high level of T-plastin present (0.5 micromolar). **A, C and E** have no SipA present, whereas **B, D and F** have SipA present as 2.0 micromoles. The effect of SipA on actin bundling is especially clear in the pair **C and D**, where the concentration of T-plastin alone (**C**) is not sufficient to induce actin bundling.

On addition of SipA (**D**), bundling occurs.

(Figure reproduced from Zhou, D., Mooseker, M.S. and Galan, J.E. (1999) An invasion-associated *Salmonella* protein modulates the actin-bundling activity of plastin *Proc. Natl Acad. Sci. USA* 96, 10176-10181 [[PubMed](#)])



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This is the query page for a BLAST search. The sequence of SipA is entered in the textbox below. The database to be searched can be selected from the following pull-down menu, as can the format that the sequence is submitted in. Click on the "Submit Query" button below the textbox to find similar sequences to this query in the database.

Database

The amino acid query sequence is [filtered](#) for low complexity regions by default.

Enter here your **amino acid sequence** as

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The options below are for advanced users. In this example, the number of descriptions has been set to 50, with 10 alignments returned. If no parameters are changed or selected, then BLAST is run in default mode.

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**Query=** gi|1172128|gb|AAA86618.1| SipA (684 letters) **Database:** Non-redundant GenBank CDS translations+PDB+SwissProt+SPupdate+PIR 414,351 sequences; 127,011,483 total letters

Below are the results from a PSI-BLAST ([see Altschul et al., 1997](#)) search of the non-redundant database using SipA as the query sequence.

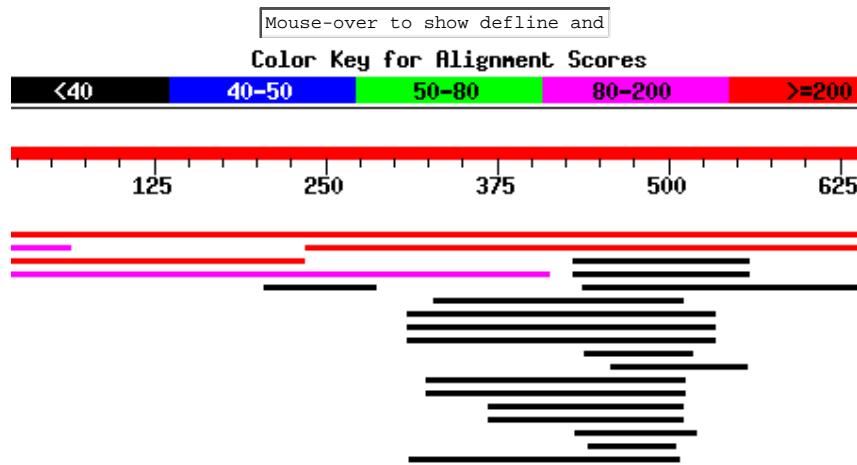
The E value is a statistical measure of likelihood that the sequences listed below are truly similar to the query, rather than found by chance alone. The lower the E value, the greater the confidence that the protein found is a biologically significant match.

E-value threshold for inclusion in PSI-Blast iteration 1: 0.001

E-value threshold for inclusion in PSI-Blast iteration 2:

PSI-BLAST constructs a similarity matrix from the significant hits found in a BLAST search and uses this matrix to search the database in a second round of BLASTing. Each round of PSI-BLAST that uses the matrix to search the database is called an iteration.

### [Distribution of 22 Blast Hits on the Query Sequence](#)



### Figure legend

The above summary of the BLAST results represents proteins that match the query sequence as colored bars, with the most similar hit uppermost and appearing in red. Pink, green, blue and black bars follow, representing proteins in decreasing order of similarity. Hatched areas indicate a gap in similarity i.e., two or more distinct regions of similarity were found within the same protein hit. Moving the mouse over the bars will display the name of the matching protein found in the textbox above.

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**About the alignments**

*Salmonella typhimurium* SipA hits very few other proteins in the database that appear above the threshold e value of 0.001. The only proteins found to be significantly similar are SipA proteins from *Salmonella typhi* and IpaA from *Shigella flexneri*.

The match with the top score is to itself (reassuringly) - the lower the e-value or the higher the score, the higher the chance that the similarity is biologically relevant. Clicking on the scores will take you to the alignments for each of the top ten hits (as requested in our query). Clicking on the ID numbers on the left will display the sequence record at the NCBI site.

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**Sequences with E-value BETTER than threshold**

Sequences producing significant alignments:	Score (bits)	E Value
gi 1172128 (U40013) SipA [Salmonella typhimurium]	1227	0.0
emb CAA63302  (X92546) sipA [Salmonella typhi]	767	0.0
emb CAAS7991  (X82670) sipA [Salmonella typhi] >gi 1584798 prf ...	394	e-108
gi 1117815 (U30491) SspA [Salmonella typhimurium]	108	2e-22
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**Sequences with E-value WORSE than threshold**

gi 1294769 (L35061) orfL12; this open reading frame codes for a...	39	0.082
gi 1353564 (U38906) ORF47 [Bacteriophage rlt]	37	0.42
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sp P32107 YIBH_ECOLI HYPOTHETICAL 42.0 KD PROTEIN IN RHSA-MTLA ...	36	0.71
emb CAA87091  (Z46970) secreted acid phosphatase 2 (SAP2) [Leis...	36	1.2
ref NP_001933.1 PDSG1  desmoglein 1 >gi 416917 sp Q02413 DSG1_H...	35	2.1
dbj BAA23712  (AB007900) HH0452 cDNA clone for KIAA0440 has a 4...	35	2.1
gb AAD12543.1  (AF090989) high-risk human papilloma viruses E6 ...	35	2.1
gb AAD12544.1  (AF090990) high-risk human papilloma viruses E6 ...	35	2.1
dbj BAA17666  (D90908) hypothetical protein [Synechocystis sp.]	34	3.6
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gi 2911243 (U67916) dentin sialophosphoprotein precursor [Mus m...	34	4.7
emb CAA05208  (AJ002141) dentin sialophosphoprotein [Mus muscul...	34	4.7
emb CAA71062.1  (Y09928) CTORF1365 [Staphylococcus aureus]	34	4.7
gb AAD53452.1 AF137229.1  (AF137229) mixed lineage leukemia-like...	34	4.7
emb CAB55329.1  (Y09927) Mrp protein [Staphylococcus aureus]	34	4.7
emb CAA81224  (Z26314) STARP antigen [Plasmodium falciparum]	33	6.2

**Alignments**

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Sbjct: 61 ASLDA 65

[sp|P18010|IPAA\\_SHIFI](#) 70 KD ANTIGEN >[gi|2126189|pir||E31265](#) ipaA protein - Shigella flexneri plasmid >[gi|47031|emb|CAA35624|](#) (X17628)  
invasion plasmid antigen (AA 1-633( [Shigella flexneri])  
Length = 633

Score = 101 bits (249), Expect = 2e-20  
Identities = 99/423 (23%), Positives = 163/423 (38%), Gaps = 49/423 (11%)

Query: 7 TQPPVIMPGM QT EIKTQATNLAANLSAVRAKCHSDAVREIKGP---QLEDFPALIKQAS 62  
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Query: 63 LDALFKCGKDAEALKVFTNSNNVAGKKAIIMEFAGLFRSALNATSDSPEAKTLLMKVGAE 122  
LD LF + L + ++NS N K I+EF+ + S ++ + E + L K+ A+  
Sbjct: 62 LDLFSSSGKEDVLRSIYSNSMNAYAKSEILEFSNVLYSLVHQGLNFENEKGQLQKIVAQ 121

Query: 123 YAAQIIKDKLKEKSAFGPWLPXXXXXXXXXXXXXXDIKNNNTGGELSKLSTNLVMQE 182  
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L + P LLR V I D LP P P GP P +K  
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Sbjct: 294 -----TSQPVIH--YHINNDNRTYDNRVFDN-RVYDNSYHENPENDA 332

Query: 354 XXXXXXXXXXXXXR-VDSTTHQTETAHASTGAIDHGIAGKIDVTATAHATA-EAVTNASSES 411  
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Query: 412 KDG 414  
DG  
Sbjct: 393 SDG 395

[gi|1294769](#) (L35061) orfL12; this open reading frame codes for a putative protein sharing 27-91 % homology with the putative protein encoded by orf47 of the lactococcal bacteriophage rlt; putative [Bacteriophage phi-41]  
Length = 586

Score = 39.5 bits (90), Expect = 0.082  
Identities = 36/143 (25%), Positives = 63/143 (43%), Gaps = 17/143 (11%)

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EV G+T +++++ + + N QSQ +E++N V L S ++ + N  
Sbjct: 98 EVFGITPENLV--TIKSLLDAIASNASQSQVSELINSVSTLTSNISLMSNGDYSPKANQT 155

Query: 482 KTDTLQ---SDTTVITGNKAGTTDNDNSQ-TDKTGFSGLKFQKNSFLSTVPSVTNMHS 536  
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Query: 537 MHFDARETFLGVIRKALEPDTST 559  
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[gi|1353564](#) (U38906) ORF47 [Bacteriophage rlt]  
Length = 667

Score = 37.1 bits (84), Expect = 0.42  
Identities = 34/143 (23%), Positives = 62/143 (42%), Gaps = 17/143 (11%)

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Query: 482 KTDTLQ---SDTTVITGNKAGTTDNDNSQ-TDKTGFSGLKFQKNSFLSTVPSVTNMHS 536

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Query: 537 MHFDARETFLGVIRKALEPDST 559  
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Sbjct: 310 TAKQAЕSEAKNAMAKATEAQANS 332

sp|P48608|DIA\_DROME DIAPHANOUS PROTEIN >gi|575927 (U11288) diaphanous protein  
[Drosophila melanogaster]  
Length = 1091

Score = 36.7 bits (83), Expect = 0.55  
Identities = 25/82 (30%), Positives = 38/82 (45%), Gaps = 3/82 (3%)

Query: 207 LTHLVDKAAKAKEVAEALDMCPQKLHQEQGTSVGREARHLEMQLIPLLLRNVFAQIPADKL 266  
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Sbjct: 447 LDIVIVEKAKAKESKRSEEEYKKIEQLESAKQEAEAKAAHLEEKVKLMEANGVAAPSPNKL 506

Query: 267 PDPKIPPEPAAGPVPDGKKAE 288  
P IP P P GG A P  
Sbjct: 507 PKVNIPMP---PPPPGGGGAPP 525

sp|P32107|YIBH\_ECOLI HYPOTHETICAL 42.0 KD PROTEIN IN RHSA-MTLA INTERGENIC REGION  
>gi|1073455|pir||S47818 hypothetical protein f378b -  
Escherichia coli >gi|466735 (U00039) alternate gene name  
yibH [Escherichia coli] >gi|1790024 (AE000437) putative  
membrane protein [Escherichia coli] >gi|1857028 (L19044)  
unknown [Escherichia coli]  
Length = 378

Score = 36.4 bits (82), Expect = 0.71  
Identities = 61/280 (21%), Positives = 110/280 (38%), Gaps = 49/280 (17%)

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Sbjct: 59 KAVIAIPITPQVTGIVTEVTDKNNQLIQRGEVLFKLDPVRYQ-----ARVDRLQADLM 112

Query: 493 ITGN---KAGTTDNDNSQTDKTGPFSGLKFQNSFLSTVPSVTNMHSMHF--DARETFL 546  
T N +A T+ + T + L +L + N S DAR+ FL  
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Query: 547 G---VIRKALEPDSTPFPVVRRAFDGLRAEILP-----NDTIKSAALKACSD 591  
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Sbjct: 173 AQDALVKGSVVAEQAQIQSQLDSMVNGEQSQIVSLRQLTEAKYNLEQT VIRAPSNGYVTQ 232

Query: 592 IDKHPPELAKAKMETLKEVITHPQKEKLAELIALQFAREAGLTRLK-GETDYVLSNVLDG-- 648  
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Sbjct: 233 VLIRPGTYAAALPLRPVMVFIPEQKR--QIVAQF-RQNSLLRLKPGDDAEVVFNALPGQV 289

Query: 649 -----LIGDGWSWRAGPAYESYLNKPGVDRVITTVD 678  
++ GS++A +S PG D V+ T++  
Sbjct: 290 FHGKLTSILPVVPGGSYQAQGVLQSLTVVPGTDGVLTIE 329

emb|CAA87091| (Z46970) secreted acid phosphatase 2 (SAP2) [Leishmania mexicana]  
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Score = 35.6 bits (80), Expect = 1.2  
Identities = 32/182 (17%), Positives = 57/182 (30%), Gaps = 9/182 (4%)

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Sbjct: 658 SSEGTATTSSDATTSSSEGTTSSSDATTSSSEGTTSSSRSDAT 717

Query: 390 AGKIDVTAAHATAEAVTNASSESKDGXXXXXXXXXXXXFDEVDGVTSKSIIGKPVQAT 449  
+ TA +++A T++SSE D TS S G  
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Query: 450 VHGVDDNKQQSQTAIEIVNVKPLASQLAGVENVKTDLQSDTTVITGNKAGTTDNDNSQTD 509  
+ + T+ V +S+ + T SD T + + GTT + +S +  
Sbjct: 772 ---TSSSDATTSSDVTTSSEGTTSSDATTSSDVTTSSEGTTSSSSSS 828

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S2: 73 (32.8 bits)

### The *Salmonella* battle plan

The SipA proteins from *S. typhinurium* and *S. typhi* are almost identical, and significantly similar to *Shigella* IpaA protein.

<i>S. typhi</i> SipA	MVTSVRTQPPVIMPGM <b>QTEIKTQATNLAANL</b> SAV <b>R</b> E <b>SAT</b> LS <b>G</b> E <b>IKG</b> -----Q <b>LED</b> F <b>PALIKQASLDALFK</b>
<i>S. typhinurium</i> SipA	MVTSVRTQPPVIMPGM <b>QTEIKTQATNLAANL</b> SAV <b>R</b> A <b>KCHS</b> D <b>A</b> V <b>R</b> E <b>IKG</b> -----Q <b>LED</b> F <b>PALIKQASLDALFK</b>
<i>Shigella</i> IpaA	MHNVNNT <b>QAP</b> TFLYKATSPSS <b>T</b> EYSEL <b>K</b> SK <b>I</b> SDIHSSQT <b>S</b> -----LKTPASV <b>SEKE</b> N <b>FAT</b> SPN <b>Q</b> K <b>C</b> LDF <b>LFS</b>
<i>S. typhi</i> SipA	CGKDAEALK <b>E</b> VFT <b>N</b> SN <b>N</b> VA <b>G</b> KK <b>A</b> ME <b>F</b> AGL <b>F</b> R <b>S</b> AL <b>N</b> AT <b>S</b> D <b>S</b> PEAK <b>T</b> LL <b>M</b> K <b>V</b> GA <b>E</b> Y <b>T</b> A <b>Q</b> I <b>I</b> K <b>D</b> G <b>L</b> KE <b>K</b> SA <b>G</b> F <b>P</b>
<i>S. typhinurium</i> SipA	CGKDAEALK <b>E</b> VFT <b>N</b> SN <b>N</b> VA <b>G</b> KK <b>A</b> ME <b>F</b> AGL <b>F</b> R <b>S</b> AL <b>N</b> AT <b>S</b> D <b>S</b> PEAK <b>T</b> LL <b>M</b> K <b>V</b> GA <b>E</b> Y <b>A</b> <b>Q</b> I <b>I</b> K <b>D</b> G <b>L</b> KE <b>K</b> SA <b>G</b> F <b>P</b>
<i>Shigella</i> IpaA	SSGKED <b>D</b> VL <b>R</b> SI <b>Y</b> S <b>N</b> <b>S</b> <b>N</b> AYAK <b>S</b> E <b>I</b> LE <b>F</b> SNV <b>L</b> Y <b>S</b> LV <b>H</b> QNGL <b>N</b> <b>F</b> ENE <b>K</b> GL <b>L</b> <b>Q</b> <b>I</b> <b>V</b> <b>A</b> <b>Q</b> <b>Y</b> <b>S</b> E <b>L</b> <b>I</b> <b>I</b> <b>K</b> <b>D</b> <b>K</b> <b>L</b> <b>S</b> <b>Q</b> <b>D</b> SA <b>G</b> F <b>P</b>
<i>S. typhi</i> SipA	WLPET <b>K</b> KA <b>E</b> AK <b>L</b> N <b>E</b> K <b>Q</b> LL <b>D</b> II <b>I</b> KK <b>N</b> T <b>G</b> GE <b>L</b> <b>S</b> KL <b>S</b> TL <b>N</b> L <b>V</b> MQ <b>E</b> V <b>M</b> P <b>I</b> A <b>S</b> C <b>I</b> E <b>H</b> MF <b>G</b> CT <b>L</b> D <b>P</b> L <b>T</b> RS <b>N</b> <b>I</b> <b>C</b> <b>J</b> <b>L</b> <b>V</b> D
<i>S. typhinurium</i> SipA	WLPET <b>K</b> KA <b>E</b> AK <b>L</b> N <b>E</b> K <b>Q</b> LL <b>D</b> II <b>I</b> KK <b>N</b> T <b>G</b> GE <b>L</b> <b>S</b> KL <b>S</b> TL <b>N</b> L <b>V</b> MQ <b>E</b> V <b>M</b> P <b>I</b> A <b>S</b> C <b>I</b> E <b>H</b> MF <b>G</b> CT <b>L</b> D <b>P</b> L <b>T</b> RS <b>N</b> <b>I</b> <b>H</b> <b>L</b> <b>V</b> D
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<i>S. typhi</i> SipA	R <b>H</b> <b>G</b> <b>E</b> <b>S</b> <b>H</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> T <b>N</b> <b>S</b> <b>N</b> <b>V</b> <b>S</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> <b>R</b> <b>V</b> <b>D</b> <b>S</b> --T <b>T</b> <b>H</b> <b>Q</b> <b>T</b> <b>E</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> <b>A</b> <b>T</b> <b>G</b> <b>I</b> <b>D</b> <b>H</b> <b>G</b> <b>I</b> <b>A</b> <b>G</b> <b>K</b> <b>I</b> <b>D</b> <b>V</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>H</b> <b>A</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>E</b> <b>A</b> <b>V</b> <b>T</b> <b>M</b> <b>S</b> <b>S</b> <b>E</b> <b>S</b> <b>K</b> <b>D</b> <b>G</b> +270
<i>S. typhinurium</i> SipA	R <b>H</b> <b>G</b> <b>E</b> <b>S</b> <b>H</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> T <b>N</b> <b>S</b> <b>N</b> <b>V</b> <b>S</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> <b>R</b> <b>V</b> <b>D</b> <b>S</b> --T <b>T</b> <b>H</b> <b>Q</b> <b>T</b> <b>E</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> <b>A</b> <b>T</b> <b>G</b> <b>I</b> <b>D</b> <b>H</b> <b>G</b> <b>I</b> <b>A</b> <b>G</b> <b>K</b> <b>I</b> <b>D</b> <b>V</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>H</b> <b>A</b> <b>T</b> <b>A</b> <b>E</b> <b>A</b> <b>V</b> <b>T</b> <b>M</b> <b>S</b> <b>S</b> <b>E</b> <b>S</b> <b>K</b> <b>D</b> <b>G</b> +270
<i>Shigella</i> IpaA	-----T <b>N</b> -----D <b>L</b> <b>L</b> <b>S</b> <b>R</b> <b>M</b> <b>G</b> <b>N</b> <b>S</b> <b>L</b> <b>L</b> <b>N</b> <b>P</b> <b>Q</b> -RALV <b>Q</b> <b>K</b> <b>V</b> <b>T</b> <b>S</b> <b>V</b> <b>L</b> <b>H</b> <b>S</b> <b>I</b> <b>S</b> <b>D</b> <b>T</b> <b>V</b> <b>Q</b> <b>T</b> <b>F</b> <b>A</b> <b>N</b> <b>N</b> <b>S</b> <b>A</b> <b>L</b> <b>E</b> <b>K</b> <b>V</b> <b>F</b> <b>N</b> <b>H</b> <b>T</b> <b>P</b> <b>D</b> <b>N</b> <b>D</b> <b>G</b> +238

The above alignment shows the sequences of *Salmonella typhinurium* and *Salmonella typhi* SipA with *Shigella flexneri* IpaA protein. The SipA proteins are almost identical, with the exception of a few amino acid differences, indicated by the turquoise boxes. Amino acids common to all three proteins are in red. The *S. typhi* sequence shown here is made up of two separate GenBank records that each aligned to different parts of the complete *S. typhinurium* sequence (blue background). This is indicated by the yellow (accession number CAA57991) and green (accession number CAA63302) highlighting behind the two sequences, and their junction is shown by the black dot. The numbers at the end of the sequences indicate the number of amino acids not included in the alignment: while the *S. typhinurium* and *S. typhi* SipA proteins remain highly similar in this region, there is no similarity between the SipAs and IpaA.

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*Salmonella typhinurium* SipA was used to search the non-redundant protein sequence database using the PSI-BLAST program [2] with standard parameters. Sequences included in the multiple alignment were selected from output from the first iteration. The multiple sequence alignment was constructed using ClustalW [3].

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